The University of the Cumberlands Academic Bankruptcy program is a second chance for students who find themselves in academic difficulty. Any student may petition the Academic Standing Committee to remove any or all grades of D, F, aF, wF, and I from a single semester on his/her transcript. The grades will remain on the academic transcript, but will not be counted in the cumulative grade point average. This may only be done one time for any student. The transcript will state that “Academic Bankruptcy” has been elected in the semester chosen by the student.

The Academic Standing Committee reserves the right to question any student who petitions for Academic Bankruptcy to determine, if possible, the reasons for the current academic difficulties. If the reasons have not been resolved so as to allow the student a true opportunity to be successful, the committee may use its discretion to determine special regulations and conditions which, in its judgement, would be most beneficial to the applicant.

The student may register for a maximum of 15.50 semester hours in the semester following the posting of Academic Bankruptcy. Exceptions to this rule may be discussed with the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

*NOTE: ACADEMIC BANKRUPTCY IS APPLICABLE ONLY TO STUDENTS RETURNING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE CUMBERLANDS THE FOLLOWING SEMESTER.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THIS POLICY IS NOT INTENDED TO PLACE A STUDENT IN A BETTER POSITION FOR ACADEMIC HONORS. HENCE, ALL GRADES WILL BE USED WHEN CALCULATING DEPARTMENTAL AND COLLEGE HONORS.

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